





Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

The Immunization Encounter: Critical Issues

A National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases Webcast Program website: http://www2a.cdc.gov/phtn/imm-encounter2008/default.asp

Thursday, December 18, 2008 Webcast 12:00 Noon - 2:00 PM ET

This program will address issues related to the routine immunization clinic encounter in the context of recommended standards of practice for patient intake and screening. Topics include patient and parent communication and education, vaccine storage and handling, preparing for medical emergencies, screening for contraindications and precautions to vaccination, vaccine administration, records and documentation, the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) and the Vaccine Injury Compensation Program. It will also highlight resources for staff orientation and development. The 2-hour webcast will occur from 12:00 noon to 2:00 pm Eastern Time.

Goal

To improve immunization knowledge and practices in the United States.

Objectives

After this program, participants will be able to:

- Locate resources relevant to current immunization practice.
- List procedures for appropriate vaccine storage and handling and emergency preparedness.
- Name a strategy for communicating about immunization risks and benefits.
- List critical issues involved in patient screening and vaccine administration.
- Describe recommendations for post-vaccination care and record keeping.
- (For Pharmacists) Select and implement strategies to prevent or detect disease in the target population.

Intended Audience

Physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, DoD paraprofessionals, pharmacists, health educators & their colleagues who either administer vaccines or set policy for their offices, clinics, communicable disease, or infection control programs. Both private & public healthcare providers, including pediatricians, family practice specialists, residents, medical assistants, and medical and nursing students.

Presenters

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Webcast Information

To access the webcast, go to http://www2a.cdc.gov/PHTN/webcast/imm-encounter2008/default.asp

A replay of this program will be available through this same URL shortly after the December 18 webcast. There will NOT be a satellite broadcast of this program, as in previous years. For additional questions regarding program content, e-mail nipinfo@cdc.gov.

Continuing Education (CE) Credit

Continuing Education will be provided. For more information, go to http://www2a.cdc.gov/TCEOnline/ after December 18, 2008. Full accreditation statements will be posted on the program website after Continuing Education approval. This is course number WC1434. Continuing Education for this activity will expire on January 20, 2009.

Self-Study After the Webcast

This program will become available as a self-study program 4 to 6 weeks after the webcast. It will be available as a DVD and in an Internet-based format. To obtain these enduring materials, check back in January 2009 at the NCIRD website at http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/.

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